1. Cameroon

**Vote counting underway in Cameroon presidential election**

Cameroonian are voting today Sunday (October 7) in a key presidential election which could end or extend the 36-year rule of President Paul Biya, one of Africa’s longest serving leaders. Polls opened at 0800 local (0700GMT) across much of the country including areas in the restive English-speaking regions. Security has been heightened with armed personnel deployed outside most polling stations. *Africa News*

2. Gabon

**Gabon ruling party claims election win**

President Ali Bongo’s ruling Gabonese Democratic Party (PDG) has won a legislative election by a landslide in the first round, the presidency said. *Aljazeera*

3. Kenya

**Missing voices’ – platform for victims of Kenya’s extra-judicial killings**

Civil society organizations in Kenya are seeking to revolutionize documentation and reporting of extra-judicial killings and enforced disappearances through the application of technology. Some 17 organizations under the Police Reforms Working Group (PRWG-K) among them Transparency International Kenya, Amnesty International and Independent Medico-Legal Unit (IMLU), have formed an online platform dubbed ‘Missing Voices’ to consolidate data of such cases. *Capital News*

5 Chinese arrested with military arsenal due in court

Five Chinese nationals who were arrested for illegal possession of military gear are set to be charged in court on Monday. According to police, the five will be charged with various offences among them being in the country illegally and possessing military gear. The suspects were arrested Friday with military combat gear, jackets, laptops, tear gas canisters, radio equipment, smoke detectors and identification card tags. *Capital News*

**CS Monica Juma in Tokyo for TICAD Ministerial meeting**

Foreign Affairs Cabinet Secretary Amb, Monica Juma is in Japan for the Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD) VII Ministerial Meetings which ends on Sunday. The meeting is co-organized by United Nations Development
programme (UNDP), the World Bank and Africa Union Commission and United Nations.

4. Libya

Libyan PM looks to broaden support with cabinet reshuffle

Libya's UN-backed Prime Minister Fayez al-Serraj changed the interior minister and reshuffled other cabinet posts on Sunday in a move seen as a bid to broaden his support nationwide and bolster security in the capital after weeks of clashes. Aljazeera

5. Nigeria

Buhari affirmed as candidate for 2019 polls, awaits PDP's pick

Nigeria’s ruling All Progressives Party, APC, on Saturday affirmed the candidature of President Muhammadu Buhari ahead of February 2019 elections. The septuagenarian will be contesting for a second and final term in charge of Africa’s most populous and its largest economy. Buhari stood uncontested for the ticket. Africa News

Nigeria's Buhari to face political heavyweight in re-election bid

Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari will run for re-election in February 2019 against former vice president Atiku Abubakar, a Muslim from the country's north who was nominated on Sunday as the main opposition party's poll contender. Daily Nation

6. South Sudan

South Sudan 'coup plotter' in jail breaks drama

South Sudan security authorities were Sunday battling to regain control of military detainees attempting to escape from prison. Police spokesman Daniel Justin confirmed that Captain Kerbino Wol Agok broke out of the detention cell, but was unable to escape. He explained that the professional military man had managed to disarm some prison guards and used the weapons grabbed from them to blast his way out. Daily Nation

7. South Africa

Nene asked to resign in phone call to Ramaphosa

News24 has independently obtained confirmation that Finance Minister Nhlanhla Nene has asked President Cyril Ramaphosa to relieve him of his duties. This on the back of his appearance before the commission of inquiry into state capture last week, during which he confirmed visiting the Gupta family on numerous occasions between 2009 and 2014. News24

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